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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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Dear Sir:

In the statement of reasons for allowance the Examiner provided various reasons for allowance. Applicants note that the claims are directed to various combinations of features. It is respectfully submitted that the patentability of each of the allowed and allowable claims resides in every feature of the recited combination of features of the claims in addition to the features noted by the Examiner.

Additionally, the Examiner has indicated in Item 2 of Page 2 of the section entitled "Detailed Action" under "Allowable Subject Matter" that there is no prior art that shows a "program" whose features have been mentioned by the Examiner. Applicants submit that a plurality of methods, systems, and article of manufactures have been claimed in the Application and the again submit that the patentability of each of the allowed and allowable claims resides in every feature of the recited combination of features of the claims.

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